

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)

Applicant(s): Lynn Y. Shimada

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**INVENTION METHOD AND SOFTWARE ARTICLE FOR SELECTING ELECTRONIC PAYMENT OF VENDORS
IN AN AUTOMATED PAYMENT ENVIRONMENT**

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☐ A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 FR 1.27 is enclosed.

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Dear Sir:

In light of the Final Office Action mailed February 06, 2002, Applicant offers the following preliminary amendment to the continued prosecution application (CPA) filed on May 6, 2002, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d).

This preliminary amendment and response addresses every rejection set forth in the Final Office Action, thus placing the application in a condition for allowance.

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